214-9. Responsibility to Eliminate Fire Hazards.

1. CONTAINERS FOR OPEN BURNING.

- a. Open burning shall be conducted only in an approved and listed container or a substantial burner built of metal, concrete or brick, well covered or screened to prevent the escape of sparking and burning embers.
- b. A burner shall not be operated within 15 feet of any combustible construction. Open flame cooking devices, including charcoal burners and LP gas burners, are exempt from this requirement for one- and two-family dwellings.
- c. Open burning shall be constantly attended until the fire is extinguished. A minimum of one portable fire extinguisher with a minimum 4- A rating or other approved on-site fire extinguishing equipment such as dirt, sand, water barrel, garden hose or water truck shall be available for immediate utilization.

2. ENFORCEMENT AUTHORITY.

The commissioner may delegate limited authority to the police department to enforce open burning regulations.

3. CARRYING FIRE. No person shall carry, keep or maintain any fire in, through or upon any public thoroughfare or premises, except within an approved, closed, secure pan, vessel or vehicle.

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